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GAME NEWS

Arena #386 [4-Sided]: Turn #7 saw Side #4 expanding their lead as they enjoyed another high scoring turn. Side #1 also scored extremely well this turn though they remain in a distant third place. This turn saw the casualty count rising dramatically as Lieutenant Walks Softly destroyed Command Post #4 with a Mega Missile strike from his Ranger and Major General Vicomte Valmont destroyed Command Post #3 with a Mega Missile strike from his Awesome. Casualties should continue to mount in the coming turn as we are likely to see the loss of another Bot and a Command Post.

Turn #8 saw Side #4 expanding their lead along with the game's fourth and final CP Kill. This turn Lieutenant Bili The Axe destroyed Command Post #2 with a Mega Missile strike from his Ranger. This marks his FIFTH CP Kill in five completed contests! Next turn will likely see the game's third Bot Kill in an increasingly bloody battle. The Best Bot Victory Rating was 4.81!

T#4: S#1: 0.67 S#2: 1.89 S#3: 0.77 S#4: 2.09
T#5: S#1: 1.23 S#2: 2.42 S#3: 1.02 S#4: 2.69
T#6: S#1: 1.64 S#2: 2.75 S#3: 1.15 S#4: 2.93
T#7: S#1: 2.16 S#2: 3.19 S#3: 1.19 S#4: 3.51
T#8: S#1: 2.33 S#2: 3.37 S#3: 1.25 S#4: 3.83

Arena #387 [2004 Championship]: Turn #7 saw relatively low scoring along with the game's first Bot casualty. This unfortunate honor fell to Captain Otto of the DESTRUCTORS who ejected, at the very end of the final Turn Phase, from his Raptor (VR=1.95, DR=2.93 with both Right Torsos destroyed). Currently we have an increasingly close battle for first place, a solid hold on third place (now that Otto is gone) and everyone else trailing behind. Of course casualties can change things suddenly and dramatically.

Turn #8 saw some high scoring though the last place Bot, for the second turn in a row, failed to score any hits. We currently have three Bots with Victory Ratings higher than 2.00 which now have a firm grasp on first, second and third place though we do have a close three-way battle for fourth place. Casualties are always an important consideration and currently we have three Bots close to destruction, including some of the top contenders!

Turn # 4: Lowest: 0.51 Average: 0.98 Best: 1.50
Turn # 5: Lowest: 0.70 Average: 1.25 Best: 1.81
Turn # 6: Lowest: 1.01 Average: 1.59 Best: 2.19
Turn # 7: Lowest: 1.01 Average: 1.76 Best: 2.49
Turn # 8: Lowest: 1.01 Average: 2.08 Best: 2.90

Arena #388 [PACIFIC STORM vs. SHADOW WARRIORS]: Turn #6 saw Side #1 expanding their lead despite suffering their first casualty. This unfortunate distinction fell to Captain War Hawg who was slain after his Gunfighter suffered a fatal Heavy Laser blast to the Left Front Torso from Brigadier General Idomeneus' Cobra. This was Brigadier General Idomeneus's first ever Bot kill in nine completed contests. Captain War Hawg was a veteran of eight completed contests with experience in all three classes of Bots. He had the most experience in Medium Bots where he earned his best Average Victory Rating (AVR=2.79) though his Best Victory Rating was in a Light Bot (VR=3.74). Overall he had an excellent history in all three Bot classes. During his long and notable career he earned awards for three Team Victories and a single



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Bot Kill. His death is a terrible loss. The Best Bot Victory Rating was 2.92.

Turn # 2: Side # 1: 0.38 Side # 2: 0.41
Turn # 3: Side # 1: 0.67 Side # 2: 0.58
Turn # 4: Side # 1: 0.97 Side # 2: 0.86
Turn # 5: Side # 1: 1.20 Side # 2: 1.12
Turn # 6: Side # 1: 1.45 Side # 2: 1.25

Arena #389 [FRAG' DEN HENKER vs. LEGION OF WAR]: Turn #4 saw Side #2 continuing to expand their lead as they continue to dominate the scoring. Of course much of this turn's scoring boost was the result of bombarding the enemy Command post which means the situation for Side #1 is not as bad as it would appear. However Side #2 does seem to be in a tactically superior position for the coming turn which could result in the game's first casualty! The Best Bot Victory Rating was 2.38.

Turn # 1: Side # 1: 0.07 Side # 2: 0.11
Turn # 2: Side # 1: 0.28 Side # 2: 0.48
Turn # 3: Side # 1: 0.54 Side # 2: 0.75
Turn # 4: Side # 1: 0.70 Side # 2: 1.08

Coming Up: We are now taking applications for Arena #390 and need just one team (three Bots) to start either a Fast 4-Sided contest or a Standard Paced 2-Sided contest (nine Bots)!

HALL OF FAME

Pilot Ratings do not include the results of Face-to-Face games. Ratings are only for those Pilots who have completed games and do not include games in progress. Kills, however, do include games in progress.

Senior Ranking Pilots

General Dutchman
General Madmartigan
General Anthony Stark
General Cutthroat Collins
General Bolo
General Mad Dog
General Bastlor Grumock
General Riva Irongrip
General Mordius
General Lunatik
General Helen Narena
General Slime Sledge Hammer
General Rugal Ratslayer
General Solo McIntres
General Whispering Death
General Blood Shredder
General H.A.L. Mayne
General I.B. Tryon
General Angus McNarley
* General Jerek Loren
General Frontal Robotomy
General Richard Shadowhand
General Kael

Top Light Bot Ratings

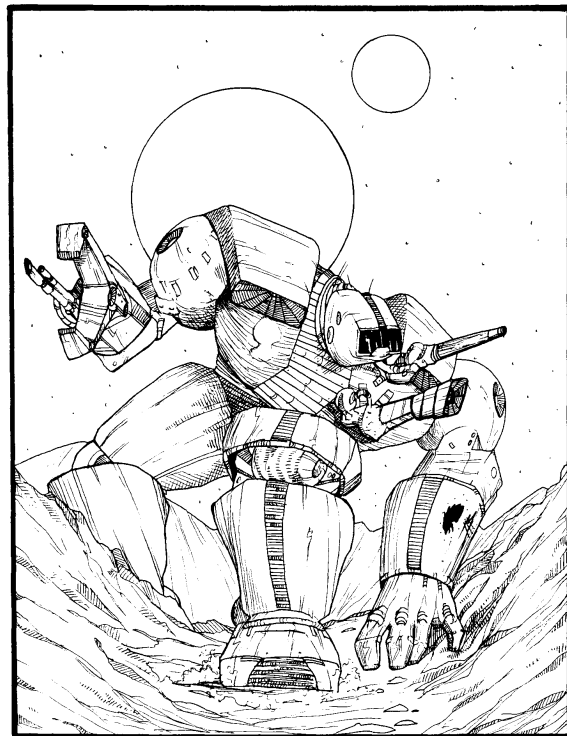
Lt. Colonel Wan Tyn Sol Jr. — 8.30!
Lt. General Slanter Jax — 7.92
General Madmartigan — 7.82
Captain Condor — 7.65
Colonel Otto Von Braun — 7.52
Major Odysseus — 7.45
General I.B. Tryon — 7.40
Major Eric Sunsword — 7.30
Colonel Artemis — 7.18
Colonel Phantom Shadow — 7.15

Top Medium Bot Ratings

Lieutenant Findem And Fryem — 6.99
Lieutenant Bili the Axe — 6.89
General Slime Sledge Hammer — 6.37
Major Roger Dawkins — 6.20
Lt. Colonel Hammerhead — 6.14
Lt. Colonel Chico Delgado — 5.87
* General Jerek Loren — 5.78
Lt. Colonel Egoan Mor — 5.51
Colonel Draka Deathdealer — 5.39
Lieutenant Brian Boru — 5.30

Top Heavy Bot Ratings

Captain Mack Ross — 5.60
Captain Achilles — 5.21
Major Embo Slamboa — 5.01
Captain Hagen — 4.99
Captain Krunch — 4.86
Brigadier General Botman — 4.80
Brigadier General Oliver Stone — 4.75
Lt. Colonel Storm Chanter II — 4.60
Major Cannon Fodder — 4.52
Colonel Dana Malh — 4.48



Top Light Bot Pilots (3+ Game Average)

Major Odysseus — 6.07
Lieutenant Bad Karma — 5.67
Colonel Larry Underwood — 5.40
General Kael — 5.32
Captain Condor — 5.17
Major U.B.1 Snotlicker — 4.77
Lt. Colonel Ian McTaggart — 4.73
Brigadier General Botman — 4.66
General Madmartigan — 4.62
Major General Arlos Terminator — 4.62

Top Medium Bot Pilots (3+ Game Average)

* Lieutenant Bili the Axe — 4.38
Major General Hawkeye — 4.34
* Captain Flaxen Fury — 4.28
General I.B. Tryon — 3.64
* Lt. General Merlin D'Arcy — 3.63
Colonel Draka Deathdealer — 3.63
* Lt. General Elric Deathsong — 3.46
* General Jerek Loren — 3.44
Lieutenant Woad the Witless — 3.43
* Captain Stephen Maturin — 3.42

Top Heavy Bot Pilots (3+ Game Average)

Lt. Colonel Augustus — 3.57
General Blood Shredder — 3.43
Major Cannon Fodder — 3.41
Brigadier General Botman — 3.30
Captain Antannyn Rykkr — 3.27
Captain Vercingtorx — 3.25
Captain Krunch — 3.24
Captain Hagen — 3.22
Lieutenant Marc Aragon — 3.16
General Kael — 3.06

Pilots With The Most Individual Victories
General Solo McIntres — 7

Pilots With The Most Team Victories
General Anthony Stark — 16

Pilots With The Most Bot Kills
Captain Grim Reaper — 7

Pilot With The Most CP Kills
General Blood Shredder — 10

Top 2-Sided Team Ratings

A#363 Side #2 (un-named) — 3.22!
A#385 Side #2 (Legion Of War) — 3.03
A#378 Side #2 (Dynachrome Brigade) — 3.02
A#326 Side #2 (un-named) — 2.89
A#186 Side #2 (Centurions) — 2.87
A#379 Side #2 (Legion Of War) — 2.85
A#327 Side #1 (Kzinti Fithp) — 2.83
A#294 Side #2 (4th Praetorian Guard) — 2.83
A#209 Side #2 (Black Company) — 2.83
A#346 Side #2 (Frag' Den Henker) — 2.82
A#114 Side #2 (Mechastorm) — 2.82
A#348 Side #1 (Lensmen) — 2.77
A#355 Side #1 (Frag' Den Henker) — 2.76
A#351 Side #2 (Kzinti Fithp) — 2.74
A#329 Side #1 (un-named) — 2.72

Top 4-Sided Team Ratings

A#359 Side #3 (Bot Busters) — 5.11
A#377 Side #4 (un-named) — 5.10
A#302 Side #2 (B'Hood of Thunder) — 5.07
A#339 Side #3 (Intrepid Enterprises) — 4.48
A#366 Side #3 (Bot Busters) — 4.38
A#249 Side #4 (Intrepid Enterprises) — 4.40
A#263 Side #2 (Intrepid Enterprises) — 4.34
A#317 Side #3 (B'Hood of Thunder) — 4.28
A#319 Side #3 (Legion of War) — 4.22
A#161 Side #4 (un-named) — 4.21
A#375 Side #4 (Legion Of War) — 4.16
A#310 Side #2 (Assass/Intrepid Ent) — 4.12

Top 2x4 Team Ratings

A#376 Side #2 (Kzinti Fithp/The Line) — 3.31
A#368 Side #1 (Legion of War) — 3.01
A#333 Side #1 (Berserkers) — 2.96

FALLEN HEROES

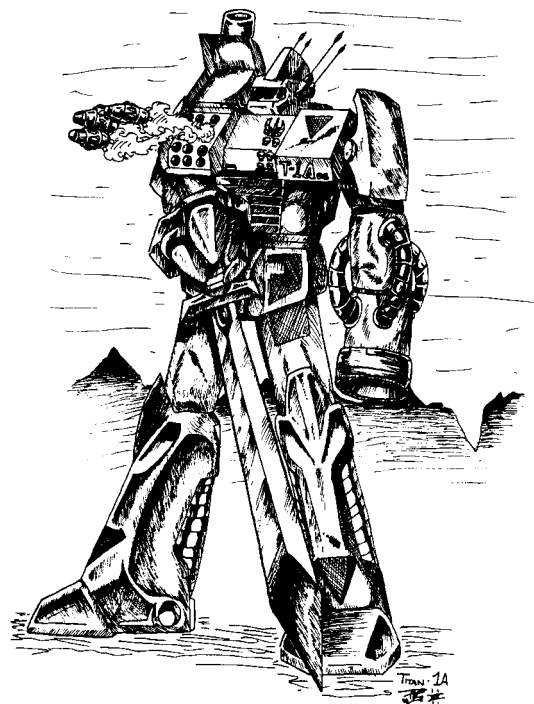
CTF Arena #388 Turn #6
Captain War Hawg VR= 1.68 DR= 3.10

Let us mourn the passing of our fellow Bot Pilot.

BULLETIN BOARD

Moderator Notice

Hey! Who's been jamming the comm channels?
Where's all the taunts, boasts and pleas for mercy?
Come on all you Bot jockeys, talk it up!



AGE ON-LINE

Our presence on the Internet is growing rapidly with a number of resources currently available.

TALES OF CTF2187: A great site containing the best of Shannon Muir's game related fiction and more! Check it out at:

<http://members.aol.com/shannonelisemuir/>

ORBO's CTF2187 HOME PAGE: Want to check out a great archive of old CTF newsletters? How about player bios, many with color photos? All that plus lots of other useful information is available at the CTF website. Special thanks to Orbo (Rob Fackler) for his efforts in setting and maintaining this cool site: Check it out at:

<http://userweb.suscom.net/~orbomaxx/ctfhome2.htm>

Brigadier General Them Bones [PN323] of the Berserkers [TM5] has set up a Chat Room at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ctf2187>

Brigadier Them Bones [PN323] of the Berserkers [TM5] has also started an email discussion list to keep everyone up to date on game happenings and other topics of interest such as Pilots, Teams, Strategy, Bot Designs, etc. The mailing list is FREE.

For those of you unfamiliar with a mailing list, here is how it works. Folks interested in a common topic must JOIN (aka SUBSCRIBE TO) the list. All of these "members" will then receive all postings to this list and can also respond and/or post their own messages. All sorts of folks can have all sorts of topics going at the same time — so long as it is strictly CTF related.

To join, send a blank email to: CTF2187-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

If you prefer to get all of the postings in one "batch" mailing a day (rather than each one sent to you individually) then immediately send a SECOND email to: CTF2187-digest@yahoogroups.com

If you want to learn about the happenings in the CRACK OF DOOM (I and II) check out the following message boards:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/conclave_gathering/
<http://www.neosoft.com/~lanza/ICONdiscuss1.html>

[Ed: These sites are not supervised nor supported by AGE but they can be interesting and useful none-the-less. However, as with any message board or unofficial website, don't believe everything you read! When in doubt, ask the GM.]

Of course, don't forget to check out the AGE site which contains all sorts of nifty downloads (House Rules, CC/RC Form, etc.). Feedback and suggestions are encouraged. Check it out at:

<http://www.ageforfun.com>

WHAT'S NEW

Looking over our records we noticed it has been quite a while since we revised the rule books and there have been a number of changes to the game system since the last revision. To make sure everyone is up to date on all the changes, and to simplify keeping track of the changes, we have assembled them all into a new document boldly titled "THE BEST OF THE COMMAND POST" (we hope to later expand it by including strategy articles and more). Covering Command Post Issues #55 through #158, this publication is FREE for the asking when your request is accompanied by a turn or payment to your account, otherwise we ask \$1.00 to cover postage and handling.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Coming in July, our FIFTEENTH annual Championship Tournament! Sign up now! The first four signups get the coveted "pole" positions (ie. are set up in the corners of the Arena near the poles that hold the shields that protect the audiences from harm. Being in the corner, your flanks and rear are better protected during the opening salvos!).

SPREAD THE WORD

Do you know someone who might be interested in Play-By-Mail? Better yet, how about someone who might be interested in playing one of the games run by AGE (CTF, COD I, COD II)? If so, send us their name and address and we will send them our massive information package along with a special free gift. It's a great way to recruit a friend into the hobby.

